

DAY 7

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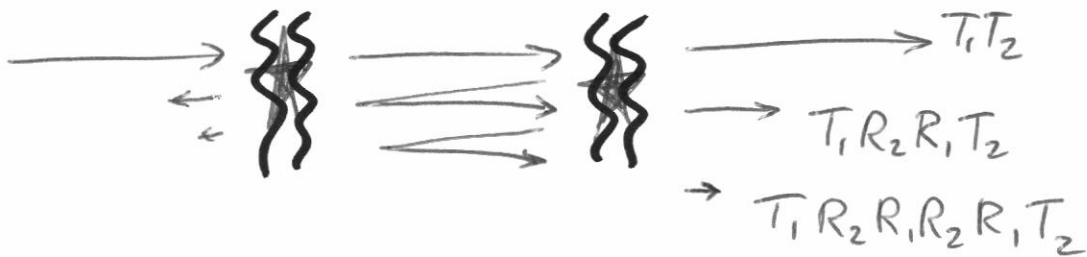
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Last time.

~~Now~~ Pair of elastic scattering sites

Next.

Pair of inelastic scattering sites
(no interference effects)



where $T_1 = |t_1|^2$ $T_2 = |t_2|^2$

EXERCISE

Add together the infinite series of terms to show

$$T_{\text{tot}} = \frac{|t_1|^2 |t_2|^2}{1 - |r_1|^2 |r_2|^2}$$

Hence, the conductance of this ^{1d} system will be

$$G = T_{\text{tot}} \frac{2e^2}{h}$$

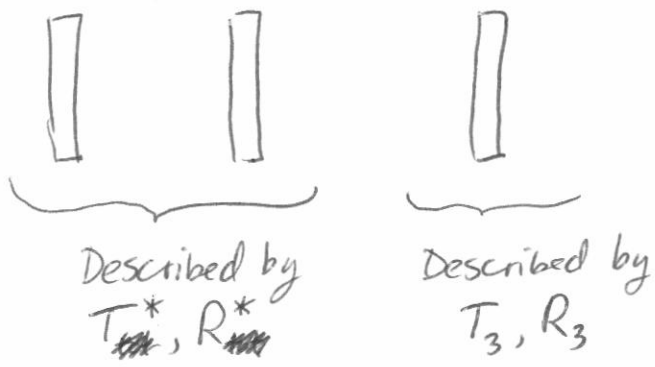
equivalently resistance $\lambda = \frac{1}{T_{\text{tot}}} \frac{h}{2e^2} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1 - |r_1|^2 |r_2|^2}{|t_1|^2 |t_2|^2}$

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HW #3

asks you to extend this result to many barrier in series.

Use this concept:



Keep adding barriers to show

$$\text{Resistance} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \left(1 + N \frac{T}{R} \right)$$

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of barriers

goes up linearly with the number of barriers.

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~~Now~~ Now examine the case of elastic scattering



For the first two barriers

$$T = \frac{|t_1|^2 |t_2|^2}{1 + |r_1|^2 |r_2|^2 - 2|r_1||r_2| \cos(\phi^*)}$$

$$\text{Resistance} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1 + |r_1|^2 |r_2|^2 - 2|r_1||r_2| \cos(\phi^*)}{|t_1|^2 |t_2|^2}$$

$$\langle \text{Resistance} \rangle = \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1 + |r_1|^2 |r_2|^2}{|t_1|^2 |t_2|^2} \quad \text{Avg over all } \phi^* \text{ --- ①}$$

If I lump together the first 100 barriers (Reflection $R \approx 1 - \epsilon$,
transmission $T = \epsilon$)

And add one more barrier (Reflection $dR \ll 1$
Transmission $1 - dR$)

And use eqn ①

$$\langle \text{Resistance of 101 barriers} \rangle = \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1 + RdR}{T(1 - dR)}$$

$$\approx \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1}{T} (1 + dR)(1 + dR) \quad \text{1st order expansion in } dR$$

$$= \langle \text{Resistance of 100 barriers} \rangle (1 + 2dR)$$

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The additional reflection dR does not add a fixed amount to the total resistance.

Instead, it adds an amount that is proportional to the original resistance.

More scattering sites, resistance rises exponentially.

$$\text{Resistance} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \exp\left(\frac{2L}{l_e}\right)$$

Note: This mathematics can be used in ~~the same~~ ^{a similar} way to analyze incoherent scattering ~~with~~

$$\text{Resistance of } |0\rangle \text{ barriers} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{(1 - RdR)}{T(1 - dR)}$$

$$= \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1}{T} (1 - RdR)(1 + dR)$$

$$= \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1}{T} (1 - RdR + dR) \quad (\text{first order terms})$$

$$= \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1}{T} (1 + dR(1 - R))$$

$$= \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1}{T} (1 + dRT)$$

$$= \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1}{T} + \frac{h}{2e^2} dR$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{adds a constant amount.}}$

The elastic scattering length l_e is defined as $dR = \frac{dL}{l_e}$

i.e. If length of system is dL , reflection probability is $\frac{dL}{l_e}$.
due to elastic scattering

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A similar defn for inelastic scattering

$$dR = \frac{dL}{l_i} \quad \text{for scattering caused by inelastic processes.}$$

Summarizing the results for many inelastic scattering events vs. many elastic scattering events

Dominate type of scattering	Length scales	Resistance
R_{in} inelastic	$l_i < l_e$ $l_i \ll L$	$\frac{h}{2e^2} \left(1 + \frac{L}{l_i}\right)$
elastic	$l_e < l_i$ $l_e \ll L$	$\frac{h}{2e^2} \exp\left(\frac{2L}{l_e}\right)$



Exponentially increasing resistance vs. length due to wave interference is the Hallmark of "Anderson Localization".

- Coherent waves tend to get stuck in one area if elastic scattering is strong.
- Happens both with light waves & e^- waves.
- Storzer et al. PRL 96 063904 (2006)
- Sundqvist et al. NanoLetters (2007)

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REVIEW OF WHAT WE'VE COVERED

Sommerfeld model

$$\hookrightarrow J = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m} E_0 \quad (l_i < l_e)$$

- Add e -ph interaction & phonon occupation fn

\hookrightarrow Temperature dependent resistance

- Consider no scattering limit $\left(\begin{array}{l} L < l_i \\ L < l_e \end{array} \right)$

$$\text{Resistance} = \frac{h}{2e^2} N \quad \leftarrow \# \text{ of subbands}$$

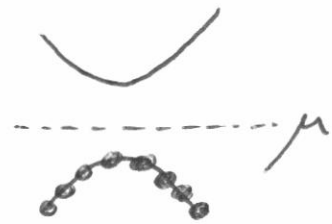
- Consider $l_e < l_i$

\hookrightarrow Anderson Localization.

Up to now
Always considering cases
where μ crosses e states

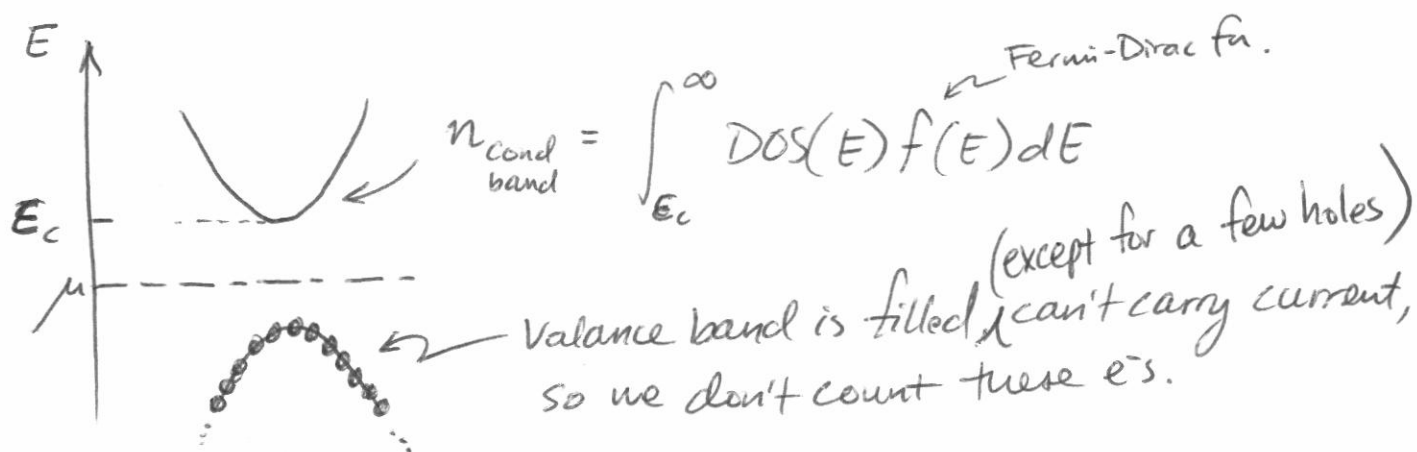


Next: Cases where μ does not
cross e states.



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LIGHTLY DOPED SEMICONDUCTORS

Compared to metals ($n_{3d} \approx 10^{28} \text{ m}^{-3}$)lightly doped semis have $n_{3d} \approx 10^{20} - 10^{22}$ @ $T = 300 \text{ K}$.

$$n_{\text{cond band}} = \int_{E_c}^{\infty} \frac{m_{\text{eff}}^{3/2}}{h^3 \pi^2} (E - E_c)^{1/2} \underbrace{\frac{1}{e^{(E-\mu)/k_B T} + 1}}_{\text{Fermi-Dirac fu}} dE$$

when $E_c - \mu \gg k_B T$

$$\approx \text{const} \exp\left(-\frac{(E_c - \mu)}{k_B T}\right) \int_0^{\infty} E^{1/2} e^{-E/k_B T} dE$$

$$= \text{const} \exp\left(-\frac{(E_c - \mu)}{k_B T}\right) (k_B T)^{3/2}$$

 n is very sensitive to T .